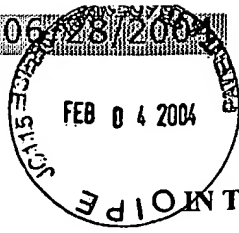


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
A. Ninjouji, et al.

Serial No.: 09/437,111

Art Unit: 1761

Filed: November 9, 1999

Examiner: C. Sherrer

For: Sparkling Low Alcoholic Beverage Sake And Producing Method Thereof

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an Extension of Time for the period indicated below be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to take the action required in the above-identified application, as reflected by the papers submitted herewith.

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|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| First Month | ___ \$110.00 | ___ \$55.00 |
| Second Month | ___ \$420.00 | ___ \$210.00 |
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